

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 885

Introduced by Assembly Member Jackson

February 25, 1999

An act to add Article 2.5 (commencing with Section 117502) to Chapter 4 of Part 13 of Division 104 of the Health and Safety Code, relating to sewage, and making an appropriation therefor.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 885, as introduced, Jackson. Coastal onsite sewage treatment systems.

Existing law authorizes a California regional water quality control board to prohibit, under specified circumstances, the discharge of waste from individual disposal systems or community collection and disposal systems that use subsurface disposal.

This bill would require the State Department of Health Services, on or before January 1, 2001, in consultation with the State Water Resources Control Board, the California Coastal Commission, and the California Conference of Directors of Environmental Health, to adopt, by regulation, statewide performance standards for all onsite sewage treatment systems within the coastal zone, as defined. The bill would require all affected onsite sewage treatment systems to comply with the standards not later than January 1, 2003, or 3 years from the date of the adoption of the standards, whichever is earlier. The bill would appropriate \$50,000 from

the General Fund to the department to carry out these provisions.

Vote: $\frac{2}{3}$. Appropriation: yes. Fiscal committee: yes.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Article 2.5 (commencing with Section 117502) is added to Chapter 4 of Part 13 of Division 104 of the Health and Safety Code, to read:

Article 2.5. Coastal Sewage Treatment Systems

117502. (a) On or before January 1, 2001, the department, in consultation with the State Water Resources Control Board, the California Coastal Commission, and the California Conference of Directors of Environmental Health, shall adopt, by regulation, statewide performance standards for all onsite sewage treatment systems within the coastal zone, as defined in subdivision (a) of Section 30103.

(b) All onsite sewage treatment systems subject to subdivision (a) shall comply with the standards adopted pursuant to that subdivision not later than January 1, 2003, or three years from the date of the adoption of the standards, whichever is earlier.

SEC. 2. The sum of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) is hereby appropriated from the General Fund to the State Department of Health Services to carry out Article 2.5 (commencing with Section 117502) of Chapter 4 of Part 13 of Division 104 of the Health and Safety Code.